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Federation's new scheme

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR OUR FIVE BEST JUNIORS

By FRED VILLIERS

The Victorian Soccer Federation will award five scholarships to juniors this year.

This was announced by Theo Marmaras, VSF president, today.

The scholarships will be awarded in five groups. They are:

- Technical Schools
- Private Schools
- High Schools
- State Schools, and
- Universities.

Each scholarship will be worth $150.

The money will be used for the boy's education, to help cover the cost of his uniform, books and school fees.

Every junior Soccer player in Victoria has a chance of winning one of the scholarships, which will be determined by the best and fairest in each section.

The High Schools scholarship will be called "The VSF Life Membership Scholarship," which will be given by a sub-committee headed by Mr Andy Kun, Chairman of Melbourne-Hungaria club.

The second scholarship will be awarded by the VSF sub-committee of which the chairman will be Mr Marmaras.

The third scholarship will be given by the State League sub-committee, presided over by Mr John Oliphant.

The fourth will be known as the Metropolitan League Scholarship of which the sub-committee will be responsible to chairman, Mr John Barclay.

The fifth scholarship will be presented by the VSF Trustees, of which the chairman will be VSF vice-president, Mr Tom Burns.

MASTERS TO HELP

The five sub-committees will work independently and judge the best and fairest from reports received from schoolmasters, sportsmasters and referees.

The announcement today follows statements in this newspaper during the past fortnight by Michael Weinstein, VSF chairman, that a new deal would be given to Victorian juniors this year.

He will formally announce plans for the scholarships when he meets representatives of the junior body at Soccer House tonight (Thursday), at 7.30.

Mr Weinstein told Soccer News: "The VSF hopes in the next two years to award 50 scholarships to promising juniors."

Accent on Youth

Today we announce the biggest lift Junior Soccer has ever received in Victoria — the gift of five scholarships by the V.S.F. (see story this page).

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Never before has anything so big been done for the game by the body who controls it in this State.

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No junior footballer — Rugby, Rules or Soccer — has been given such an incentive.

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Victorian Soccer followers should feel proud of the men who run the game for having the foresight to make such a prominent gesture to our youngsters.

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This can only do good for Soccer and those who follow it.

It can only do good for the thousands of schoolboys who are taking up the game as their football code.

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News of these fine gifts to encourage our youth will spread.

It won't be long before opposition codes get to know about it and as usual, match it with their own scholarships for their own juniors.

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But Soccer leads the way. Each week improvements are made to its administration.

Where in the past junior Soccer was neglected in Victoria, it is now being fostered.

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It is getting the treatment it deserves. The accent is on youth and proof of this has come following statements in the past fortnight which have appeared in the Press.

Michael Weinstein, VSF chairman, promised a big deal for juniors and the foundations are being laid with this excellent scheme to provide talented juniors with scholarships.

What better incentive can there be to encourage young blood into the game.

Tomorrow Mr. Weinstein meets Junior Federation officials and one of the first questions they'll ask is "Will you keep your promise?"

Dino joins up

Dino di Marchi, Juventus forward, received a wallet and notes from clubmen after the game at St. Kilda, on Sunday. Dino enlisted form his Army National Service on Tuesday — **Taffy.**

ON TO THE TURF. Croatia winger B. Adlum appears certain to hit the turf where J.U.S.T. centre half B. Rice has come to a halt in this rather unusual position. Croatia drew 2-2 with J.U.S.T. at Olympic Park last Sunday.

JOHN COLE'S FREAK GOAL

By MARTIN ASTON

John Cole scored an astounding goal with the pack of his neck to enable Pan Hellenic to gain a 1-all draw with Prague in the final minute of last Sunday's Sydney premiership match.

He had deserted his post at centre-half in a bid to snatch a point out of the fire.

Cole jumped in the air with three other players when Allan Westwater took a throw in from the left wing and lobbed the ball into the goalmouth.

Cole told me later: "I had my back to the goal and lost sight of the ball when I jumped into the air.

"I suddenly felt it hit me on the back of the neck and then I fell to the ground.

"It was not for a second or two that I realised the ball had gone into the net."

The angle from which the ball went into the goal was an "impossible" one.

Scores in the Sydney premiership round were:

Apia 2 (Giacometti, Kerklaan) beat Melite Eagles 0.

Pan Hellenic 1 (Cole) drew with Prague 1 (Litsing).

Hakoah 1 (Holden) drew with South Coast 1 (Tristram).

Canterbury Marrickville 1 (Kauz) drew with Croatia 1 (Massey).

Pan Hellenic 7 (Smith 2, Logan 2, Blitz, Omeros, Smith) beat Polonia 1 Nowacki).

Prague 5 (Hoggart 3, Blacker, Lissing) beat Cumberland United 1 (Goldie).

St. George Budapest 2 (Warren, Isaac) beat Yugal 0.

Big talks in Sydney

Summit talks between Australia's two biggest Soccer States — Victoria and New South Wales — will be held in Sydney this week-end.

It is almost a year since Soccer News suggested these talks be held to iron out any difference of opinion the two States had at the time.

I understand five Victorians, president Theo Marmaras, V.S.F. chairman Michael Weinstein, deputy chairman John Barclay, State League chairman, John Oliphant and executive member Enver Begovic, will attend.

During the two-day talks, let's hope that these men put the game first in all their decisions.

The Victorian party, who'll stay at the Chevron Hotel, will discuss the relationship between the two States; the A.S.F. set-up; Australia Cup for 1967 and plan two Victoria v. N.S.W. games, one in Sydney and one in Melbourne for this year.

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Steve Elliott, principal of Jordanville Tech. School, read a letter to his pupils on Monday morning.

It was from the V.S.F. enclosing a cheque for the newly erected Soccer goal posts. One man in the background, all smiles, as the head gave the game some free publicity was Ollie Norris, former State League player, and now a physical education teacher at the school.

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Theo Marmaras, V.S.F. president, told council on Monday night that Victoria must find its right place in Australian Soccer.

"Other States were looking to us for leadership and guidance and we must help them, but at all times remember we are Victorians and the interests of Victoria come first," he said — **Fred Villiers.**

FOR THE KIDS

About 20 children from Kew Cottages are guests of Juventus at all their home games. The club provides a bus for transport and provides lollies and soft drinks — **Taffy.**

"Big Jim" Bayutti, Vice-president of the ASF, has quit Soccer. We have often criticised him in the past. Today he tells Soccer News readers why he's retired in this exclusive feature.

'VICTORIA IS 25 YEARS BEHIND'

By JIM BAYUTTI

Victoria is 25 years behind the times in its administration of Soccer, and this is why the powers that be might as well deport me if I ever had to live there.

Look at the way in which Melbourne has always made trouble whenever I've had to select an Australian team.

If you don't pick many of their players they say you are favouring Sydney, but if you take a lot of Victorians the clubs there complain that their local competition is being victimised.

How can you win?

In actual fact, the only Victorian player who I would consider for a place in Australia's team for the World Cup is Attila Abonyi.

He has everything which is required to be a champion, and lacks only the confidence which comes from playing regularly against top-class opponents.

All of us must realise that we are now playing with the big boys of football, and there is only one way to make a go of it.

We must face the truth and accept that the way in which our Soccer is being run at the moment is just no good enough if we want to have any chance of qualifying for the World Cup finals in 1970.

We must throw out the present set up and start a three-year program.

I suggest that a meeting be called as soon as possible of the presidents of each State to elect a Board of Control of five people to run the game for the next **THREE** years.

And they must be prepared to spend at least a quarter of a million dollars preparing an Australian team for the World Cup qualifying rounds.

We will get this back with interest if Australia can qualify for the finals to be played in Mexico City.

There must be law and order during this three-year crash program and each State must be prepared to make a number of sacrifices.

I would suggest that such a Board of Control should be comprised to five top businessmen who know that you must spend money if you want to have any chance of success.

There are a lot of good people who are frightened to come into our present Soccer set up because they feel that the game is lacking in dignity as officials fight between themselves.

They see a lot of crummy people running their little clubs like a dictator.

The Australian Soccer Federation must start right now preparing for our first qualifying matches in the Asian group to be played around next April or it will be too late.

I expect FIFA to announce that Australia will play its first matches in a Southern Asiatic group which will include countries such as Indonesia, Singapore, Malaysia, South Vietnam, Thailand and possibly South Korea.

The winner would probably have to play off against a Northern Asiatic group which would include North Korea.

I have made a number of recommendations on how we should go about preparing Australia's team in a report to the Australian Soccer Federation.

The most important thing is for Joe Venglos to be retained as coach of the Australian team.

He did a wonderful job preparing an Australian side which was unlucky not to beat Scotland on at least one occasion and he holds the complete respect of every player due to his modern thinking and tactics.

I also have suggested that Frank Parsons, the president of the N.S.W. Soccer Federation, should take my place as manager of Australia's team.

I would like to see Michael Weinstein, of Victoria, chosen as his assistant.

I only wish there is something which could be done to stop Western Australia from playing in this year's Merdeka tournament.

This is the prestige tournament of Asian Soccer and it could seriously jeopardise our chances of getting a favourable World Cup grouping if Western Australia is thrashed by something like 10-0.

We know that Western Australia is one of our weakest State teams but once they get over to Asia they will be called nothing else but Australia.

This is a terrible thing and is likely to do a tremendous amount of harm to Australia's prestige.

I am enjoying my retirement from Soccer and as yet have no inclination toward coming back.

Last Saturday I stood in the rain watching my son Paul playing Rugby Union for Waverley College and I enjoyed every minute of it.

The funny thing about it is that a number of people who I have always thought of as my enemies have begged me to come back.

A couple of clubs have even asked me to become their president.

I have no regrets about retiring, because there is no chance of me ever sitting down at an executive meeting with certain individuals.

The way things are going I can't see anything in the future except our clubs playing what is little more than social football.

And that is one of the reasons why I have decided not to carry on.

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Ladder: King Valley 21, Cobram 18, Myrtleford 15 Khancoban 13; Whorouly 12, Milawa 12, Wang City 8, Benalla 8, Wodonga 8, Albury 5.

BALLARAT GEELONG RESULTS

Division 1: Bell Park 1, Hamlyn Rangers 2; Geelong 2, Ballarat City 3; Kosiuszko 2, Wendouree 0; Geelong City 0, Corio 2; Indesco 0, Geelong West 0; Mt. Clear 1, Polonia 2.

Division 2: Mt. Clear 0, Belmont 0; Indesco 1, Geelong West 3; Geelong City 2, Corio 2; Ararat 1, Wendouree 1; Geelong 9, Ballarat City 0; Bell Park 5, Hamlyn Rangers 2.

BALLARAT AND GEELONG

Div. 1: Saturday — Polonia v. Wendouree, Hamlyn Rangers v. Kosciuszko, Mt. Clear v. Geelong, Ballarat City v. Geelong City, Geelong West v. Bell Park. **Sunday** — Corio v. Indesco.

Div. 2: Saturday — Belmont v. Wendouree, Hamlyn Rangers v. Ararat, Mt. Clear v. Geelong, Ballarat City v. Geelong City, Geelong West v. Bell Park. **Sunday** — Corio v. Indesco.

LATROBE VALLEY

Seniors: Newborough 1, Rangers 3; Moe 1, Monash 8; Warragul 3, Pegasus 4; Falcons 2, R.A.A.F. 0.

Reserves: Newborough 7, Rangers 3; Moe 2, Monash 1; Wonthaggi 0, Pegasus 2.

Under 12's: Moe 2, Monash 6; Falcons 1, Yallourn 2; Newborough 3, Rangers 2; Fortuna 1, Pegasus 0.

Under 14's: Spartans 0, Moe 7; Yallourn 0, Fortuna 2; Pegasus 3, Monash 3; Wonthaggi 0, Warragul 2.

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Melb. should win again

JIM COOK looks at the 15th Round

It's still Melbourne at the top of the State League with Juventus still winning and retaining second position one point behind.

Hakoah too are still in the hunt one point less than Juventus and hang on to third placing while S.M. Hellas depose Croatia in fourth place, through goal average.

On the slide, Slavia still retain seventh position but only by having a better goal average than Footscray-J.U.S.T. who now are equal on points. Lions, with a draw against Alexander, jump up to eighth place while George Cross drop down a rung after their defeat from Juventus. After hugging the bottom for so long, Alexander vacate the bottom position which they hand over to the struggling Makedonia.

Here are some highlights from last weekend's matches:

- Three players were sent off in the Makedonia v. Melbourne game. Those to get marching orders were Hamilton and Kochovski (Makedonia) and Stoffels (Melbourne).
- Attilla Abonyi, who scored twice against Makedonia, has now found the net in his last four games and with 13 goals to his credit is now second top scorer.
- Stuck for a keeper with Ivanhoff under suspension and Morks having suffered a dislocated elbow against J.U.S.T., Makedonia fielded regular wing half Josifovski in goal.
- Jimmy Bingham, of Lions, who was recently transfer-listed reappeared for his club for the first time this season when he replaced the injured Joe McGrain early in the match against Alexander.
- Jimmy Mangopolous signalled his come-back to Alexander with a well taken goal which gave his team a share of the points and lifted them off the bottom.
- By their 4-2 win over Polonia, Hakoah scored twice as many goals as they had done in their three previous matches.
- Jim Armstrong, of Hakoah, with two goals against Polonia is still leading scorer in the State League with 14 goals to his credit. A great average of one goal per game.
- After two wins in a row, Polonia proved their inconsistency by going down to Hakoah despite having an equal share of scoring chances.
- Lions were in the wars against Alexander, McGrain was injured early and replaced, Hillhouse was also injured in the first half but had to stay on as a "passenger" for the rest of the game while Roseweir was knocked unconscious late in the match.
- The first half of the Makedonia v. Melbourne game must be one of the shortest half's of the season. Much time was lost when Cairns and Abonyi clashed, the clock also ticked on when Hamilton and Stoffels clashed and were eventually sent off and the same applied when Kochovski went plus many other stoppages.

Weekend fixtures:

Saturday: Alexander v. Juventus at Olympic Park; Slavia v. Lions at Murphy Reserve; Footscray J.U.S.T. v. Polonia at Schintler Reserve.

Sunday: Hakoah v. S.M. Hellas at Middle Park; Melbourne v. Croatia at St. Kilda; George Cross v. Preston Makedonia at Olympic Park.

Results of corresponding games in the first round were: S.M. Hellas 0, Hakoah 2; Croatia 0, Melbourne 0; Lions 1, Slavia 2; Makedonia 3, George Cross 2; Juventus 4, Alexander 0; Polonia 4, Footscray JUST 2.

This is how I reckon the weekend matches will go:

ALEXANDER v. JUVENTUS

Desperation drives Alexander and now they have lifted themselves from the bottom they'll be even more determined to improve.

However, they face a tough test against a Juventus side which is superior in every aspect and is not likely to loosen its grip as challengers to Melbourne.

My tip: Juventus.

Kasi, J.U.S.T.'s goalie, caught in deep concentration by our photographer last week-end.

SLAVIA v. LIONS

Going through a disastrous spell and finding goal scoring at a premium, Slavia have no easy match here.

And although Lions may be depleted after they were badly mauled against Alexander, they can still show plenty of fight.

My tip: Slavia.

FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T. v. POLONIA

Showing improvement and playing a more direct type of Soccer than in the past with better results, J.U.S.T. should [illegible] their previous defeat by Polonia who are feeble finishers and throw away too many scoring chances.

My tip: J.U.S.T.

HAKOAH v. S.M. HELLAS

With confidence restored after their win over Polonia, the Hakoah side which went through an uneasy spell in recent weeks, will fully stretch Hellas.

But with more mobility in the ranks of the Greek side, they have some advantage.

My tip: Hellas.

MELBOURNE v. CROATIA

Playing with plenty of confidence inspired by a steady defence and the opportunism of Abonyi in attack, Melbourne should bring out the best in Croatia who last week played too much of a skilful game in mid-field.

It could be an all-action game with a close result.

My tip: Melbourne.

MAKEDONIA

Much improved George Cross slacken off in defence and lack a real striker in attack.

However, they should improve their points rating here against a Makedonia side which has gone to the wall after a few inspiring displays.

My tip: George Cross.

STATE LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
MELBOURNE	14	10	2	2	33	11	22
JUVENTUS	14	9	3	2	25	13	21
HAKOAH	14	8	2	4	30	17	18
S.M.-HELLAS	14	6	5	3	29	17	17
CROATIA	14	7	3	4	26	18	17
POLONIA	14	7	1	6	27	22	15
SLAVIA	14	6	2	6	25	24	14
J.U.S.T.	14	6	2	6	26	37	14
LIONS	14	3	4	7	17	24	10
GEORGE CROSS	14	2	5	7	19	27	9
ALEXANDER	14	2	2	10	11	37	6
MAKEDONIA	14	2	1	11	16	37	5

WEEK-END REFEREES

STATE LEAGUE

Saturday, July 15

ALEXANDER v. JUVENTUS (Olympic Park), Edwards, Howieson, Blake.
SLAVIA v. LIONS (Murphy Res., Pt. Melb.), Armstrong, Frost, Lechner.
J.U.S.T. v. POLONIA (Schintler Res., F'scray), Staffrace, Pedler, Tuffield.

Sunday, July 16

HAKOAH v. HELLAS (Middle Park), Lamb, Dixon, Thorn.
MELBOURNE v. CROATIA (St. Kilda C.G.), Maitland, Ward, Huddle.
GEORGE CROSS v. MAKEDONIA (Olympic Park), Barens, Randall, Keeler.

FIRST DIVISION

Saturday, July 15

SUNSHINE CITY v. DANDENONG CITY, Finnegan, Momont, Boudrie.
WILHELMINA v. AUSTRIA, Harrison, Connel, Muus.
BOX HILL v. MORELAND THISTLE, Greenwood, McGhee, Turner.
TRIESTINA v. SPRINGVALE, Bartolo, Kiss, Caruso.
COBURG v. SANDRINGHAM, Jackson, Sykes, Dover.
ST. ALBANS v. BRUNSWICK, Wootten, Dixon, Venios.

SECOND DIVISION

UNIV. OF MELB. v. BRIGHTON, Slaats.
PARK RANGERS v. GREEN GULLY, Pavlovic.
ALBION ROVERS v. FRANKSTON CITY, Hartley.
FERNTREE GULLY v. RINGWOOD UNITED, Delange.
BAYSWATER v. RICHMOND, Radulovic.
PRAHRAN v. ALTONA, Verniers.

THIRD DIVISION

WAVERLEY v. GLENROY UNITED, Lazarich.
KEILOR CITY v. CHELSEA, Contini.
CROYDON v. PRINCES PARK, Muench.
HEIDELBERG v. SOUTH YARRA, Kelly.
F.N.D. v. ST. KILDA, Mellings.
MOORABBIN v. ESSENDON, Fetterplace.

FOURTH DIVISION

YALLOURN v. BYE (bye).
MOOROOLBARK v. CLAYTON, Lucas.
DEER PARK ICI v. MORNINGTON, Francis.
MONASH UNIV. v. ROSEBUD, Light.
E. MELB. v. N. CARLTON, Mills.
NEWPORT v. DONCASTER ROVERS, Mather.

SOCCER NEWS WRITERS TIP

15th Round	Alexander v. Juventus	Slavia v. Lions	J.U.S.T. v. Polonia	Hakoah v. Hellas	Melbourne v. Croatia	Geo. Cross v. Makedonia
J. COOK	Juventus	Slavia	J.U.S.T.	Hellas	Melbourne	Geo. Cross
M. HARRIS	Juventus	Slavia	Polonia	Draw	Croatia	Geo. Cross
S. KALUS	Juventus	Slavia	Draw	Draw	Croatia	Geo. Cross
"TAFFY"	Juventus	Slavia	Draw	Hakoah	Melbourne	Geo. Cross
F. VILLIERS	Juventus	Slavia	Polonia	Hellas	Melbourne	Geo. Cross
G. YELLAND	Juventus	Lions	J.U.S.T.	Draw	Melbourne	Geo. Cross

letters

The Editor
Soccer News
P.O. Box 25
Glen Waverley

SIR, There is no denying that overall, the Victorians acquitted themselves admirably. However, some players appeared in the first game who should have been excluded from the second. Sole blame rests with the selector, mainly for falling into the trap of over-confidence.

It is no use crying over spilt milk and I am not knocking anyone. Because of my great love for this game, and the desire to see it expand, I make these comments.

Allow me to congratulate you on your excellent newspaper — C. Drousiotou, 10 Eville St., Sth. Melb.

SIR, I am a regular reader of Soccer News and I'm mostly interested in juniors. My son plays for his school and his mates are registered with Melbourne - Hungaria. They claim that some junior clubs are getting a lot of publicity in your newspaper, others are never mentioned.

Your junior writer is favoring Hakoah as all Hakoah games are fully reported. Why not give all a fair go?

Could you also explain why Hakoah junior teams sometimes use the name of Hakoah Ajax and mostly in those cases when a game is lost by that club? — D. Kilda.

(Our writer does not favor any particular junior club. If clubs want publicity they must help themselves. At the moment Hakoah juniors are more publicity minded than any other junior club. They send us the news. We print it. We don't know why they sometimes use the name Ajax — Editor).

SIR. — Why does South Melbourne Hellas always play on Sundays and only on two good central grounds (Middle Park and Olympic Park)? That's not fair to other teams with less financial help, yet the Federation gives Hellas the chance of making more money than other teams.

Are the fixtures committee fully aware that Melbourne HSC play nearly all the games on Saturdays, unlike Hellas? The fact is that we would have 2,000 to 3,000 more spectators on Sundays, thus giving Melbourne and for that case other teams, a chance of winning spectators on Sundays.

Why do Globe reporters, especially Mr. M. Harris, always underestimate the attendance of spectators? That's degrading. For instance, at the Juventus-Lions match last Saturday, he underestimated at least 2,000 spectators less than any other paper reported. — A. KISS, B. SZOBO and F. FLAHERTY (Melbourne).

SIR. — I Soccer News never than SIX pages and 14 photos all about this supposedly "GALLANT VICTORIAN ELEVEN." With block lettered headlines, "WE MATCH MIGHTY MANCHESTER" and bragging about being the first team to score against the RED DEVILS. In this week's Soccer News (as last week's had gone to press before you could get the result), not one column or one photo of the "GALLANT VICTORIAN ELEVEN" losing 4-0 to Manchester.

In the June 15 issue you put, or should I word it right, BRAGGED, that "It was the best tonic they could have given this Aussie Rules brainwashed State of Victoria. Now I think it's the other way round after your silence on their 4-0 defeat. You are deliberately trying to brainwash Victorian Soccer spectators that the Victorian State team are THE BEST in Australia. Now dare you print this, the truth JACK WILBY and STEVE LANE, 11 Cloyne Street, Highett.

(Because we went to Press eight hours before the night game started we didn't publish a report of the second Manchester match. There were no photographs because our photographer is not allowed to take flash pictures at Olympic Park. Whichever way you look at it, the record book will always show Devils. Surely you chaps didn't expect Victoria to beat the United in the second match, did you? — Editor).

JIM LEADS

Jim Armstrong, Atilla Abonyi and Tony Hughes scored 2 goals each in the 14th round of the State League and the Hakoah striker is still on top with one goal difference, writes Stephen Kalus.

This is how they stand after last week's round:

14 goals: Armstrong (Hak.).

13 goals: Abonyi (Mel.), Hughes (J.U.S.T.).

10 goals: Kokinos (Hel.)

9 goals: Reid (St.).

8 goals: Savage (St.), Vojtek (Cr.).

7 goals: Currie (Mak.). Przybylski (Pol.), Kurta (Mel.), Monan (Hak.), Nestoridis (Hel.).

6 goals: Horsfall (G. Cr.), Roseweir (L.), Kowalec (Pol.).

5 goals: McIvor (G. Cr.), Daminakos (Hel.), Kamborcpolus (Hel.).

4 goals: Micic (J.U.S.T.), Kazi (J.U.S.T.), Robertson (G. Cr.), Lockhurst (Juv.), Torque (Juv.), Swoboda (Pol.), Myers (Mel.), Di Marchi (Juv.).

STATE LEAGUE NEXT WEEK

Next week's State League round is:—

SATURDAY, JULY 22

Lions v. Hakoah (Montgomery Park, Essendon).

S.M.-Hellas v. Footscray-J.U.S.T. (Middle Park).

Croatia v. Preston-Makedonia (Olympic Park).

SUNDAY, JULY 23

Juventus v. Slavia (St. Kilda Cricket Ground).

Polonia v. Melbourne (Brooklyn Speedway).

Alexander v. George Cross (Olympic Park).

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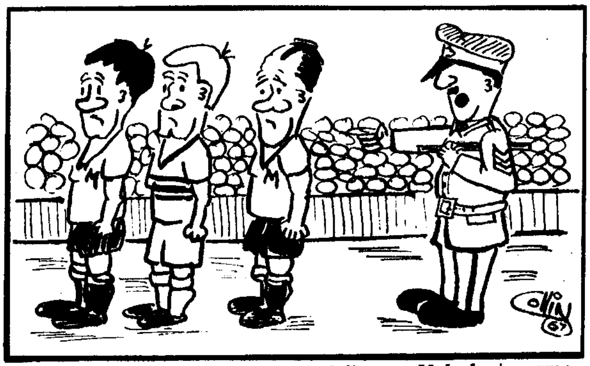
GEORGE YELLAND sums up the State League

Bumps, bruises, and bad boys

Was it the cold weather, the state of the competition, or just plain lack of discipline?



Referee Bob Armstrong at the Melbourne-Makedonia game gave three players their marching orders. "By the right, quick march!"

Whatever it was, we **had** several exhibitions in **last** week-end's games, that **we** can well do without.

Three players sent off at Preston, two in the reserves game at Essendon and players at St. Kilda on Sunday, Essendon on Saturday and Olympic Park on Saturday, fortunate to last out the full 90 minutes, as some of their conduct stretched Referee's indulgence to the limit.

Some of the "hacking", shirt pulling and behind the play fouling that went on at two of the games, did nothing to enhance the sporting reputation of the players concerned. It seems to me, that if clubs desire to hold and improve their support, it is high time they took disciplinary action against any of their players who do things which bring the game into disrepute.

Finally, of course, we were treated to another of those stupid exhibitions of a club official, who should have more sense, barging onto the field during a game, in defiance of the Referee's order to go off, at St. Kilda during the George Cross, Juventus match.

It is interesting to note that there is a big notice on the score board at St. Kilda, threatening **ANY** unauthorised person with a $20 fine for trespassing on the playing area. Was it invoked? These things apart, much of the football seen, was of a reasonably improved standard.

POLONIA 2 (Kowalec, Swoboda), HAKOAH 4 (Armstrong 2, Monan,

of powerful attacking Soccer, took an early lead against Polonia, at Olympic Park, on Saturday. In the first 25 minutes, Petersen, Armstrong and Monan scored good goals, but Polonia had their chances and only weak finishing robbed them of several scoring opportunities.

Hakoah showed more speed and enterprise than in recent displays, but under relentless second half pressure, their defence left gaps which were highlighted by well taken goals from Kowalec and Swoboda.

Smith, reintroduced to the Hakoah forward line, had a good game and Anderson played his best game since joining the club. Armstrong was always dangerous and Van Alphen was steady under pressure.

For Polonia, Swoboda was a speedy and effective winger and Kowalec combined well with Olinowski. Janczyk worked hard in defence and attack, but much good approach work was spoiled with tip tapping in front of goal and a reluctance to shoot by the Polonia forwards.

Teams:—

POLONIA: Majeczak, Knot, Czerniecki, Janczyk, Gross, Marmur, Swoboda, Gadja, Przybylski, Olinowski, Kowalec. Adamczyk replaced Czerniecki at half time.

HAKOAH: O'Hara, Keith, O'Neill, Murney, Van Alphen, Stenhouse, Armstrong, Anderson, Monan, Smith and Petersen.

Crowd: 1973.

Referee: Mr. T. S. Edwards.

LIONS 1 (Schwartz), ALEXANDER 1 (Mangopolous).

Alexander grabbed a [illegible] Essendon on Sat-

Grabbed is the word, for shirt pulling and rugby tackling seemed to be the order of the day. In fact some of the tactics adopted by certain players were more suited to the boxing and wrestling rings than on a Soccer field.

Margarites has lent stability to the Alexander defence and prompts many attacking moves, but the team, generally is not up to State League standard and tries to cover the deficiency with a "stop the opposition at any price" approach.

McGrain, damaged leg, will be out for a few weeks and Hillhouse received a bad knee injury and was a passenger for much of the game. At one time Lions had only seven sound men on the field, which made their draw quite a meritorious effort.

Teams:—

LIONS: Carmichael, J. Reilly, McGrain, Murney, Walker, Aldis, R. Reilly, Schwartz, Roseweir, Van Zeist and Hillhouse. Bingham replaced McGrain (injured), after fifteen minutes of play.

ALEXANDER: Alexopoulos, Mamasis, Glennie, Rizos, D. Xanthopolous, Margarites, Bikas, Bourgamis, Papaconstantinou, Fokianos and Mangopolous. Gallagher replaced Mamasis at half time.

Crowd: 1280.

Referee: Mr. J. Bartolo.

PRESTON MAKEDONIA 0, MELBOURNE 4 (Abonyi 2, Myers, Kurta).

Another rugged game, in which three players received marching orders, took place at Collier Street, Preston, on Saturday. Melbourne, with Abonyi and Myers outstanding, easily defeated a poor Makedonia, who lacked the skill to combat a smooth working, speedy opposition

driving force for the home team, but his boys were not quick enough to give him adequate support. Melbourne, with Colin Myers back on the wing, looked the complete team, and overcoming an early challenge, they finished, winning as they liked.

Stoffels and Hamilton were involved in a scuffle more suited to the rival game than Soccer and were ordered off after 10 minutes. Another stupid act by Kochovski resulted in his departure in the 32nd minute, after which the remaining players "got the message" and later played some good football.

Makedonia must speed up in attack and tighten up in defence, otherwise they'll quickly return from whence they came.

Centre half George Cairns and "Ottie" Abonyi were both knocked out when they met head on, in attempting to head the ball following a corner. Abonyi was off the field for 10 minutes and Cairns staggered around in a daze for much of the rest of the game.

Teams:—

PRESTON MAKEDONIA: Josifovski, Barna, Howlett, Hamilton, Cairns, Balkanov, Short, Kochovski, Currie, Stankovic and Bob.

MELBOURNE: Surma, Fowler, McGowan, Shanks, Scott, Gregal, Kurta, Abonyi, Stoffels, Connelly and Myers.

Crowd: 1190.

Referee: Mr. R. Armstrong.

JUVENTUS 2 (Malloy, Di Marchi), GEORGE CROSS 1 (Sanchez).

Although scoring the first goal and attacking for long periods of the second half, George Cross never looked likely to upset Juventus' winning run. After only eight minutes Camp-

bell was tripped in the penalty area and Sanchez scored from the spot.

utes to draw level, when a

It took Juventus 17 minutes to draw level, when a defensive error left Molloy with an open goal. Ten minutes later, Di Marchi forced the ball home in a goalmouth melee. For most of the second half, Juventus were content to hang on to their slim lead, even so they managed to miss enough opportunities to put the result beyond doubt.

George Cross tried hard, but the Juventus rearguard, admirably marshalled by George Scott, easily contained all their efforts. Scott, Millar, Gentry, Closs and Di Marchi were outstanding for Juventus, with Voigt competent, as always, in goal.

Dockerty, Hodgson, Sanchez and Armour were best for the visitors. Horsfall, coming on in the second half, worked hard and was unlucky on at least one occasion not to score.

Teams:—

JUVENTUS: Voigt, Milton, Gentry, Closs, Scott, Bell, Barbazza, Norman, Di Marchi, Millar and Malloy.

GEORGE CROSS: Dockerty, Sacco, Morson, Ireland, Hodgson, McPherson, Campbell, Sanchez, Evans,

Horsfall replaced Morson (injured), in the second half.

Crowd: 4001.

Referee: Mr. G. Harrison.

CROATIA 2 (Friganovic, Jim Mackay), FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T. 2 (Mratinovic, Hughes).

Sunday's game at Olympic Park was quite spectacular from an observer's view-point. A goal in the first minute to Croatia, a fight back by J.U.S.T. which gained them a half time lead. Persistance by Croatia gave them a second half equaliser and then, four minutes from time, an "impossible" save by Kovacek which robbed J.U.S.T. of a win.

All four goals were wonderful efforts. Friganovic, with back to goal, hooked the ball over his shoulder when Kazi failed to hold a high centre from Adlam, for the first. Adamovic slid a good ball through to Mratinovic, who slipped it under the advancing Young, for the equaliser. Hughes rose like a bird to beat Young to a perfect centre from Gakovic, for J.U.S.T.'s second. Jim Mackay, darting through the middle easily beat Kazi, from 13 yards, to level the scores for the second time.

Rice, Cirkovic, Mratinovic, Adamovic and Dixon were most prominent for J.U.S.T. Rice in particular, is not receiving the defensive support he could expect, yet he's so good that he creates an impression of a solid rearguard.

Gunn, Rau and Duncan Mackay were strong in defence for Croatia and the whole forward line gives the impression of being full of goals.

Teams:—

CROATIA: Young, D. Mackay, Bot, Rau, McArthur, Adlam, McMeechan, Vojtek, Jim Mackay and Friganovic. Gitzel, for McMeechan and Kovacek for Young, were half time replacements.

FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T.: S. Kazi, Handrick, Rusmir, Micic, Rice, Cirkovic, Mratinovic, Dixon, Hughes, Gakovic and Adamovic.

Crowd: 2523.

Referee: Mr. R. Lamb.

SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS 3 (Nestorides, Damianakos, Ackerley), PORT MELBOURNE SLAVIA 0.

Middle Park, on Sunday, provided a good game, which in all but finishing was very even. In fact, Slavia probably had the edge in attacking and mid-field play, but they have fallen into the bad old way of being sadly off target with the final effort. Hellas, on the other hand, with fewer actual chances, scored three great goals.

Reid had a chance to make the score 1-2, seven minutes after half time, but he slashed a penalty kick wide of goal and Hellas went on to a comfortable victory.

Nestorides cracked home a beautiful volley from a centre by Damianakos to open the score after 35 minutes and five minutes later, Damianakos scored an amazing goal as he fell backwards and shot over his head into the net. Barotajs failed to clear properly from Nestorides and only succeeded in pushing the ball near to the dynamic little left winger.

Seven minutes from time Ackerley called for the ball, as Kokkinos sped down the right wing, receiving, he blasted it home from 20 yards. Randles and High played their usual controlled and competent game. Schroiff had a grand second half and Cook coped well with the elusive Nestorides.

Wenzl, Damianakos, Bedford and Kokkinos were outstanding for Hellas and Litopoulos played well, once the Referee had established the fact that he would not stand for questionable tactics.

Teams:—

SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS: Wenzl, Litopoulos, Kelly, Hadjicostas, Roussis, Bedford, Kokkinos, Kambouropoulos, Nestorides, Ackerley, and Damianakos.

PORT MELBOURNE SLAVIA: Barotajs, Jones, High, Randles, Cook, Goodwin, Livingstone, Jurecki Reid, McCorquodale and Rainey. Holmes for McCorquodale and Schroiff for Barotajs were half time replacements.

Crowd: 5560.

Referee: Mr. C. Contini.

JUNIOR SOCCER NEWS

By George Yelland

Next Sunday, July 16, will be a date for Juniors to remember.

Melbourne are putting on an under 10 game, between the Reserves and first team games, at St. Kilda. Melbourne Reserves v. Croatia Reserves will kick off at 12 noon. Melbourne Under 10s v. Waverley Under 10s kick off at 1.45 p.m. Melbourne v. Croatia kick off at 2.45 p.m.

This is a great program and fans should go along and give these youngsters the support and encouragement they deserve.

Melbourne committee are to be congratulated on their enterprise, in giving youngsters the opportunity to play before a crowd and, also on a good playing surface.

South Melbourne Hellas committee, who recently announced that ambitious five-year plan for juniors, are making a significant move this Sunday.

Their Reserves team, to play Hakoah, will contain no less than eight juniors who have come up through the junior ranks. The average age of the forward line will be 16½ and the average for the whole team is 17. Only the goalkeeper, right back and centre forward have not been playing with Junior teams this season and two of them were in Junior football last year.

The team and age of each player is: Diamond 20, Gatsidis 18, Roy Rooney 16, Con Yannas 17, George Copanos 17, Derek Fairhurst 17, Peter Sampsonidis 16, Jim Ziagas 17, Stratos 18, Kevin Davidson 15, Teddy Geralis 17.

The following will act as reserves, Chris Blanas 17, Jim Loukas 17, Tryfon Marganis 16, Jim Drougas 17, Elias Pergaminos 17.

This will be the youngest team to ever represent Hellas Reserves.

The management of Hellas appeal to all supporters to come along and give these lads full encouragement and Soccer News supports this appeal.

In these boys, lies the future of our game in Australia, so turn up in your thousands and have a preview of tomorrow's stars. Give them all the support, encouragement and understanding they deserve.

Max Davidson told me that the reason for blooding these boys is because the Hellas committee aim to field, consistently, a reserves team from this age group. In other words, to use a reserves team as it should be used, a training ground for future first team players.

SOUTH OF THE YARRA

Under 12: 2nd Round — Hakoah 0, Bayswater 1; Langwarrin 2, Ringwood City "A" 9; Frankston Pines 3, Frankston 0.

1st Round Replay — Ringwood City "B" 0, Waverley 3.

Under 14: 2nd Round — Bayswater 2, Doveton 1; Sth. Melbourne 2, Brighton 1; Ringwood City 15, Dandenong 0; Moorabbin 4, Frankston 2.

Under 16: 2nd Round — Ringwood City 6, Frankston 3; Waverley H.S. 1, Sth. Melbourne 7; Springvale 0, Melbourne 4; Slavia L.P., Langwarrin W.O.

Under 18: 2nd Round — Brighton v. Hakoah (to be played July 23); Sth. Melbourne 1, Dandenong 4; Slavia 4, Juventus 1.

Open Age: Frankston 8, Langwarrin 0; Waverley 4, Heatherton 1; Middle Park L.P., Chadstone W.O.

Under 10: Final — Hakoah 4, Ringwood City 0.

Play-off for 3rd and 4th places: Melbourne 1, Wavley 0.

Under 12: Waverley beat Hakoah 2-1. Waverley scored after three minutes but although they attacked repeatedly failed to add to their tally in the first half. Hakoah improved in the second half but the more experienced Waverley scored their second goal 20 minutes into the second half. Steven Spicer scored for Hakoah from the penalty spot after a shot for goal by Raymond Capkin was handled by a Waverley defender. Outstanding player was Hakoah 'keeper, Alec Albert.

WESTERN SUBURBS

Under 18

Footscray-J.U.S.T. 0 lost to Ardeer 1. Best — J.U.S.T.: C. Lever, J. Evans, M. Alljevski. Ardeer: C. Cympel, J. Rollnik, Moscicki.

George Cross 7 (Camilleri 2, A. Borg, Vella, Spiteri, Friedeberg, Chetcuti) d. East St. Albans 0. Best —George Cross: H. Friedberg, D. Cole, F. Lattera.

Standing: Footscray-J.U.S.T. 18 points, George Cross 16, Ardeer 15, Croatia 13, East St. Albans 10, Northcote 6.

Under 16

LECHIA - WEST NEWPORT 1 (Kempa) d. Footscray-J.U.S.T. 0. Best — Lechia: A. Chodan, V. Christakakis, L. Lacny. J.U.S.T.: D. Todorovic, S. Frantzeskos, M. Udorovic.

NEWPORT 2 (Stuart, Bartkiewicz) lost to ARDEER 5. Best — Newport: C. Neal, R. Zammit, D. Millar.

ST. ALBANS 3 d. SUNSHINE HEIGHTS 0. Best — St. Albans: R. Schneidruck, G. Djurdjevic, A. Sniegowski.

Standing: Ardeer 26, Newport 23, Sunshine City 22, West Newport 21, J.U.S.T. 14, St. Albans 12, Sunshine Heights 9, Altona 9.

Under 14

FOOTSCRAY-J.U.S.T. 5 (Picioane 2, Dosen, Pepe, owngoal) d. DEER PARK-I.C.I. 0. Best — J.U.S.T.: P. Divitarov, J. Picioane, A. Dosen Deer P··k: E. Stobinski, R. Swed, J. Forbes.

NEWPORT 0 drew with ST. ALBANS 0. Best — Newport: E. Bourke, T. Lacny, M. Borg. St. Albans: G. Jaquin, D. Parker, P. Scheurer, J. Gavric, M. Borzar.

BROOKLYN HOSTEL 1 (Sinclair) drew with SUNSHINE CITY 1 (Mussel). Best — Brooklyn: D. Hilton, N. Bloor, A. Sinclair. Sunshine City: M. Booth, P. Banagan, J. Spiteri.

KEILOR CITY 1 (Karbanenko) drew with GEELONG-CORIO 1. Best — Keilor City: R. Simienuga, Vanleuwen, Karbanenko.

ALTONA 2 (Reardon, Micevski) drew with ARDEER 2. Best — Altona: P. Littlewood, P. Van Rangelrooy, J. Scorsis.

AJAX 0 drew with SUNSHINE HEIGHTS 0.

Standing: FOOTSCRAY-J.U.S.T. 30, Sunshine City 26, Brooklyn 21, Ardeer 16, Altona 15, Sunshine Heights 13, Deer Park-I.C.I. 12, Keilor City 12, Corio-Geelong 11, Newport 11, Ajax 6, St. Albans 1.

Under 12

ALTONA "A" 10 (Little 4, O'Sullivan 2, Gramsbergen, Roberts, Spencer, owngoal) d. J.U.S.T. Blues 1 (R. Mendo). Best — Altona "A": N. Litlte, A. Donelly, A. Spencer. J.U.S.T. Blues: G. Lawrow, R. Mendo, H. Dilizza.

ALTONA PRIMARY SCHOOLS SOCCER LEAGUE

(Sunday Competition):

ST. MARY'S 2 (Grioli, Gilpin) d. Altona East 1 (Herman). Best — St. Mary's: R. Gilpin, J. Grioli, A. Bajin. Altona East: N. Nedelkopoulos, G. Nedelkopoulos, Senturanio, Schletter.

ALTONA NORTH 8 (Cagliari 4, Pistofani 3, Carenan) d. BROOKLYN 0. Best — Altona North: Cagliari, Pistofani, Trifunovic. Brooklyn: Cambell, Redmore, Downs.

SEAHOLME 1 (Little) lost to ALTONA CENTRAL 3 (Roberts, Thompson, O'Sullivan). Best — Seaholme: N. Little, Robinson, I. Christie. Altona: O'Sullivan, B. Roberts, Harden.

ALTONA WEST 1 d. BROOKLYN WEST 0. Best — Altona West: R. Dunlop, Tulputt, Gilpin.

Standing after second round: Altona North State School and Altona 4 points each, Seaholme, St. Mary's, Altona West and Brooklyn 2 each. Altona East and Brooklyn West 0.

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Somewhere there has been misdirection and bungling over this season's Australian Cup competition.

Cancelled by the Australian Soccer Federation executive at their meeting in Sydney recently, strong protests have been voiced all over the country by clubs, officials and players.

The A.S.F.'s decision to abandon this year's competition was reported in the Sydney Press as being due to the fact an Australian team will tour Asia in October and November.

A statement which was hotly denied by the State League Management Committee of the Victorian Soccer Federation.

So far, all the facts on the decision to abandon the Cup have not been revealed. But according to well-informed reports it was the New South Wales delegates who killed the competition for 1967.

However, the situation has taken a new twist with a reported statement by Apia through their president, Eddie Provera, who has said that no player from his side will be allowed to tour Asia with the Australian team unless the Australian Cup is played for this season.

And according to another report a sub-committee of Messrs. Tuting (Tasmania), Grimson (N.S.W.) and Oliphant (Vic.), are now reviewing the situation at the request of the A.S.F.

It was a big mistake in the first place to abandon the Cup. To scrub the national competition which provides a big incentive to the clubs in the top league and robs the fans of glamor games is a retrograde step. The era is gone whereby clubs and fans are satisfied with local and domestic competitions.

One look at the European set-up should be enough to convince our officials that the big time is getting bigger.

Australian Soccer fans are sick and tired of delayed decisions many of which seem designed to benefit only the minority and not the majority.

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BILL'S ON THE WAY BACK

Out of action since mid-1966 after he broke his leg playing for Hakoah Reserves at Olympic Park, centre forward Bill Rowley, is determined to make a come-back despite reports that he had decided to pack up the game.

I spoke to Bill last Saturday at Selwyn Park, Sunshine, and he's almost ready to resume training to get off the extra weight he has acquired during his idleness. In fact, he's desperate to get back on the field as he confesses that watching is a poor substitute for playing.

Rowley was top scorer in the 1965 night Soccer competition.

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GEORGE CROSS SELL THREE AND BUY ONE

George Cross figured in some last-minute transfer activity when they parted with the following players:

● Bobby Adams, the former Hakoah centre half and full back, has joined Wilhelmina.

● Bill Barber, also a centre half, has gone to Wilhelmina.

● John Yelland, a full back, has joined Coburg.

The Cross bought Pat Reilly, a winger, who was at one time on the books of Clyde from Wilhelmina. Reilly, 25, has two brothers John and Bob, who play for Lions.

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DIAL FOR DOLLARS BOOB

3DB's "Dial for Dollars" compere, David Johnstone, made a big boob last Wednesday on his program.

He asked contestants to name the captain of Manchester United. None answered the question correctly, neither did David who said the player concerned was Billy Cook.

And with all the newspapers full of Denis Law's ordering off and fine in West Australia, it must be classed as the greatest quiz boob of the year!

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ENGLAND TO SCRAP GOAL AVERAGE

The goal-average system of deciding a championship when teams finish level on points is likely to be scrapped in England.

The English Football League are reported to be considering a plan whereby if teams finish level on points at the end of the season the team which has scored most goals will be given the championship.

Another move to encourage attacking football and provide more entertainment for the public.

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THICKEN UP THE GOAL-LINES

At several grounds this season I've noticed that goal-line markings are so thin they can hardly be seen.

Something which could cause an uproar with hair-line decisions on the goal-lines.

The International Board recently decreed that goal-lines must be the same width as the goal-posts, which means not less than four inches and not more that five inches. And refs. have been advised to check up on this before every game.

So "thicken up your goal-lines", Soccer clubs!

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PRZBYLSKI FINDS HIS SCORING TOUCH

Since he came back into the Polonia team recently after an enforced absence of several weeks through injury, Bernard Przbylski has struck his best form, scored three goals in the past two games and given Polonia a big lift in taking a full four points from these matches.

Bernard joined Polonia after they had played their first four league games with George Swoboda. He played in Poland with Victoria Jaworzno, and is 26.

★

SWALLOW THIS ONE — JACK!

Attention Jack Dyer! Australian Rules put on a game at London's Regent Park last Sunday — all females between the Aussie Birds and the Wild Colonial Girls.

What a downright shame on Jack, after all the plugging he has done to keep Australian Rules strictly for the males.

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NEW JOB FOR PUSKAS

One of the all-time greats of world Soccer, Ferenc Puskas, now 40, is public relations officer to Real Madrid the club he gave so great service to before hanging up his boots as a player.

The former Hungarian star travels all over the world with Real doing the talking on behalf of his club, giving interviews and signing autographs.

Enjoying his role as ambassador, he misses his game. But after flogging himself at training he lost the battle of the waist-line and was forced on the sidelines.

★

HATELEY FLOPPED — NOW MOVES

One of the biggest disappointments in English league Soccer last season was centre forward Tony Hateley whom Tommy Docherty took to Chelsea last October from Aston Villa for $250,000.

Hateley who only scored six league goals for the "Pensioners", never fitted into the Chelsea team and he was seen on television in several matches when of the Day, he never showed in the U.K. Soccer Match up and seemed out of place as a spearhead.

Now he has moved to Liverpool who have paid just under the fee which Chelsea paid Aston Villa. In Liverpool's hurly burly side, Hateley could regain his best form.

Enver's on the ball with Telmar

Enver Begovic, managing director of Inge Detective Agency, and a member of the Victorian Soccer Federation Board, has a reputation for always being "first with the latest".

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Mr. Begovic then knows his office wants him urgently and he telephones from the nearest phone and receives the message.

The Telmar unit is portable (8" x 2" x 3") and Mr. Begovic carries it over his shoulder like a transistor radio (see photo), or lies it on the seat of his latest Mercedes Benz car when travelling.

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"The only time I switch Telmar off is when I'm at the Soccer," added Mr. Begovic.

PROVISIONAL LEAGUE A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Clarinda	14	10	2	2	44	27	22
Chadstone	14	10	1	3	68	27	21
Glenroy CYMS	14	9	3	2	46	16	21
Langwarrin	14	7	3	4	49	28	17
Fishermen's Bend	14	6	2	6	31	33	14
Westall VW	14	2	6	6	16	45	10
University Grad	14	1	2	11	20	46	4
Croydon Thirds	14	1	1	12	26	78	3

(This league is now complete.)

PROVISIONAL LEAGUE B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Fitzroy	14	11	2	1	26	10	24
Parkville	13	10	0	3	33	18	20
West Preston	13	9	1	3	30	15	19
Yarraville	14	7	1	6	23	23	15
West Sunshine	14	7	0	7	25	21	14
RAAF, Laverton	14	6	2	6	24	23	14
Carlton	13	6	0	7	22	22	12
Victoria Star	14	5	0	9	10	26	10
Sydenham	13	3	2	8	14	49	8

Sunday, July 16

FITZROY v. WEST SUNSHINE, Venios.
YARRAVILLE v. RAAF LAVERTON, Boudrie.
CARLTON v. WEST PRESTON, Morel.
PARKVILLE v. BYE (bye).
SYDENHAM v. VICTORIA STAR, Chetcuti.

BALLARAT AND GEELONG

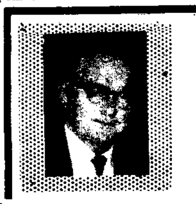
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Hamlyn Rangers	15	12	3	0	51	12	27
Corio	15	11	3	1	52	15	25
Bell Park	15	11	2	2	50	17	24
Indesco	15	9	3	3	42	24	21
Polonia	15	9	1	5	39	23	19
Ballarat City	15	7	1	7	29	33	15
Geelong West	15	6	2	7	27	30	14
Geelong	15	3	3	9	23	39	9
Geelong City	15	3	3	9	16	40	9
Mt. Clear	15	2	2	11	16	42	6
Wendouree	15	2	2	11	14	54	6
Kosciusko	15	2	1	12	14	44	5

LATROBE VALLEY FEDERATION
SENIORS

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Rangers	9	7	—	2	32	11	14
Pegasus	10	6	2	2	38	16	14
Falcons	9	6	—	3	20	17	12
Monash	9	4	3	2	36	18	11
Newborough	8	5	—	3	32	9	10
Moe	8	3	1	4	17	32	7
Fortuna	7	2	2	3	11	18	6
RAAF	8	1	—	7	11	47	2
Warragul	8	—	—	8	9	41	—

RESERVES

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Pegasus	9	9	—	—	45	10	18
Rangers	8	5	1	2	30	14	11
Fortuna	7	3	—	4	15	20	6
Falcons	7	2	2	3	16	26	6
Wonthaggi	8	2	1	5	4	19	5
Newborough	6	2	1	3	17	15	5
Monash	8	2	1	5	15	34	5
Moe	7	2	—	5	15	22	4



POOLS

TAFFY'S FOCUS ON FORM

NO record breaking dividends for last Saturday as there were eleven Draws on the coupons.

Victoria still in the lead produced five, N.S.W. four, and one each in Queensland and Western Australia.

South Australian games were not used because of the Third Round of Federation Cup matches, of these the Sturt v. Azzurri game ended in a goal-less draw after extra time.

The balance of coupon matches was 20 Away winners, 23 Home winners and the Liverpool Inter. v. Arncliffe game was off because Liverpool Inter, were unable to produce a team. This game will count as postponed and for the Treble Chance punter it will be two points.

Dividends in all Pools will be well up on the previous week except for Ten Aways.

Here are the July 1 Treble chance dividends in sterling currency:—

LITTLEWOODS: 24 pts; £601 6s. for 1d., 23 pts., £5 18s., 22½ pts., £4 4s.; 22 pts., 9s.; 21½ pts., 4s.

VERNONS: £114 10s. for farthing; 23 pts., £1 4s.; 22½ pts., 18s.

Colleague Martyn Harris and Alex Barr on 3XY on Saturday with news that Frankston had registered their Eighth draw for the season said I'd be very happy with the result. This was not the case. I wanted Frankston to win at home, but this Saturday I'll be happy if they draw with Albion Rovers. Can they make it Nine draws. I think they will, but whatever the result, Frankston certainly hold the record for draws. They've won six and lost only one.

Incidentally, this session starts at 6 p.m. I look forward to it.

Chelsea in Div. 3 and Yallourn, Div. 4, are the only teams of the senior Leagues who have not lost a game this season, and what a terrific goal average Yallourn have, they should top the century in goals-for, on Saturday.

Following last week's fixtures here are the top teams interstate Leagues:—

Qld.: DIV. 1 — Latrobe, Coalstars, Thistle, Merton, Hellenic, Hollandia. DIV. 2 — Azzurri, Polonia, Budapest, Germania, Wynnum, Easts, Annerley.

S.A.: DIV. 1 — Hellas, Juventus, Polonia, Austria, Croatia, Budapest. DIV. 2 — Beogard, Cumberland, Malta, Azzurri, Birkalla, Campbelltown. DIV. 3 — Para Hills, Salisbury, W.R.E., Adelaide University, Don United.

W.A.: State — Azzurri, Tricolore, Cracovia, Cottesloe, Swan Valley, Swan Athletic. DIV. 2 — Athena, Subiaco, Kiev, University, Dalmatinac, Julia.

Now for **NEXT SATURDAY WEEK, JULY 22,** the following should win at Home:

TWELVE HOMES

*Canterbury (NSW), *Azzurri (Q), *Croatia (V), *S.M.-Hellas, *Athena, *Austria, Springvale, *Altona, *Frankston, Essendon, *South Yarra, *Austria (SA), *Hellas (SA), *Juventus (SA), Beograd (SA), Cottesloe (WA).

TEN AWAYS

Hamilton (NSW), *Germania (Q), *Hakoah (V), *St. Albans, *Wilhelmina *Yallourn, Deer Park ICI, *Polonia (SA), *Cumberland (SA), *Azzurri (SA), *Azzurri (WA), *Athena (WA).

THREE DRAWS

Sandringham v. Triestina, Hercules v. Keilor, Doncaster Rovers v. Helvetic.

TREBLE CHANCE

*Bankstown v. Corinthians (NSW), Hollandia v. Merton (Q), *Sandringham v. Triestina, *Ajax v. University, Richmond v. Ferntree Gully, *Ringwood v. Albion Rovers, *Hercules v. Keilor, St. Kilda v. Heidelberg, *Doncaster Rovers v. Helvetic, *Mornington v. Mooroolbark, *Birkalla v. Malta (SA), Wakefield v. Sturt (SA), Cracovia v. Tricolore (WA), Olympic v. Perth City (WA).

* Indicates best selections.

GOOD LUCK — TAFFY.

HARRIS JOINS TIPS LEADER

Martyn Harris with four correct forecasts shares the lead with Stephen Kalus for the Soccer News writers' "King of the tipsters competition".

This is how they stand: Martyn Harris and Stephen Kalus 30, Jim Cook, "Taffy" and Fred Villiers 26, and George Yelland 25.

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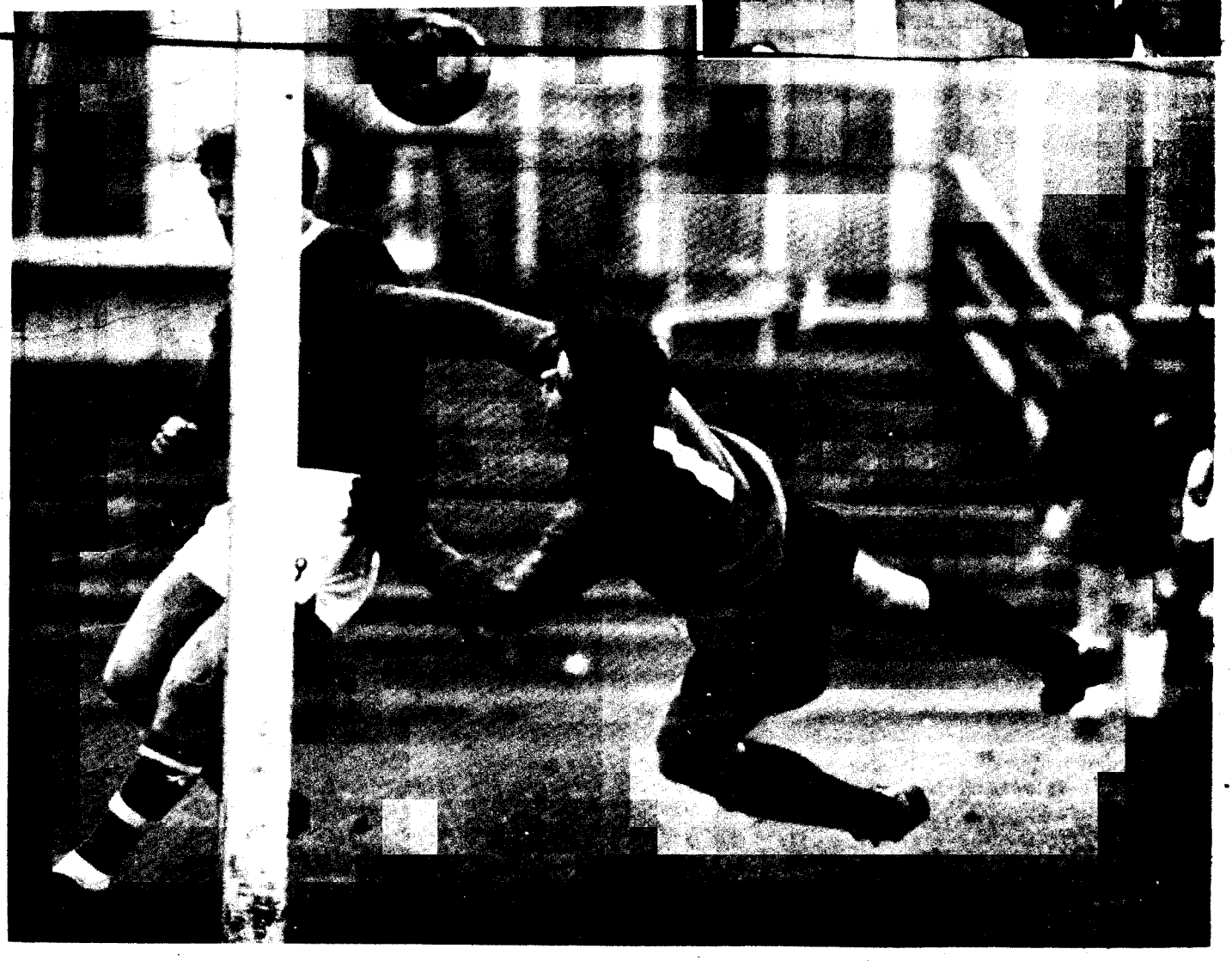
FOCUS ON ACTION with Uwe Kuessner

B. Vojtek, Croatia, was beaten to the ball by B. Rice, J.U.S.T. who cleared with a sliding tackle.

Croatia's First. Hanricks, Rice, Frigenovic and Circovic all have their eyes on the ball as it goes into the net to make the score one nil for Croatia.

Dangerous moment for J.U.S.T. McMeechan, Croatia heads the ball towards goal. J.U.S.T. Keeper Kasi is in full flight but was unable to stop the ball. Lucky for him, it went out!



It's really on in Metro

With only seven weeks to go excitement is mounting in the Metro as the promotion and relegation battles reach heir climax.

There's not one club that an safely say that promotion is a certainty and even e clubs at the other end the ladder have a chance escape.

It's probably one of the ost interesting and exciting seasons we've had for ears in Metro Soccer.

Most thrilling of all the romotion races is in Second Division where only ercentage separates the our teams in second place ehind Altona who have a andy three-point lead.

Prahran showed it's not ll over at Como Park with win over University.

In First Division, Ringwood although on top have nly to slip up once and St. Albans are waiting to ounce.

Sandringham gained a aluable point at Brunswick and have the chance this Saturday to put Coburg in Division Two when they play each other at Coburg.

If Sandy win, and I think they will, then Dandenong and Moreland will have to pull their socks up.

Third Division has four teams vying for promotion in Chelsea, Keilor City, Waverley and Princes Park but Waverley didn't help themselves in only drawing with lowly Moorabbin.

Chelsea haven't been playing well and the next two weeks will see just how good they are as they play Keilor and Waverley on successive Saturdays. They have a tough draw and have still to play Princes Park. I'm going for Keilor to win this week.

Yallourn and East Melbourne look favourites in Division Four but again only one little slip will let North Carlton in.

FIRST DIVISION

It's lucky seven at Ringwood as City scored seven goals for the second week running in beating Dandenong 7-2.

But it was nearly in the record books as a 6-3 result as referee George Pedlar had that score recorded in his little book.

Both clubs agreed on a 7-2 score and it took quite a time for officials to persuade Mr. Pedlar to amend the score to 7-2.

A crowd of over 400 saw Ringwood get straight into their stride and go ahead with Alan Villers scoring inside three minutes.

Steve Atkins dribbled round the keeper to make it 2-0, then Gerry Keuken scored two goals assisted by Bob Wyatt.

Dandenong came back when Alan McKinley reduced the arrears and just before half time McMinimee scored again but was ruled offside.

Johnny Rogan took advantage of a mistake by Van Egmond to make it 4-2 and it looked as though it could be close. But Ringwood regained their composure and from a Gerry Keuken pass Steve Atkins made the game safe.

Sandy Wilson and Bob Wyatt added further goals.

Although I haven't seen him, from all reports Bob Wyatt is a real danger on the wing. I have heard so many good words about him from Ringwood's opponents that he must be a real "bobby dazzler" and a great asset if they make the State League.

Best players, Ringwood: Wyatt, Vowles, Keuken and Atkins. Dandenong: Bence.

St. Albans recovered after last week's debacle to defeat Sunshine City 2-0.

There wasn't much in the first half with both sides missing chances but as soon as Peter Bluhm put the Saints ahead in the 35th minute, it was a different story.

They played with more confidence and although Pocock, Rogers and Sharp had chances for Sunshine, Peter Troselj showed that Saints had the better finishing power when he clinched the game in scoring the second goal.

Triestina had few worries in toppling Moreland by 2-0 to keep up the pressure on the leaders.

Moreland played more as individuals and the Triestina defence easily contained most of their attempts with the exception of those from Parker and Carmichael.

Vesnaver put Triestina in the lead with a fine headed goal from a corner by Minala.

At half time, Triestina replaced Crabb with Patterson and it could have been because Crabb had already been cautioned by the referee three times.

With only six minutes to go, Triestina made the game safe when following some good approach work, Minala made it 2-0.

Best players, Triestina: Vesnaver, Southgate, Baxter and Zavattiero. Moreland: Heath, Parker and Carmichael.

A solitary goal scored by Bobby Walker was enough to give Elwood the points over Box Hill. Eddie Wilson made a welcome return for the Hillmen and saved a penalty in the second half after Johnny Baugh handled. Karl Angstenberger took the kick.

Keys was again prominent for the Hillmen and Oxton tried hard to get the forward line working but Joe Bray was out of touch.

Best players, Elwood: Walker and Schnepf. Box Hill: Oxton, Keys and Wilson.

Coburg played fast open Soccer for the first half hour and ran rings round Springvale and went to a two-goal lead through Bobby Malcolm and Harry Richmond.

Nine minutes before half time, John Beesley made it 2-1 when he scored following a good pass by Paul Rubens. From this point on Coburg faded and Springvale took control and Paul Rubens equalised just after half time.

In the 61st minute John Beesley headed home a beauty from a long high ball from Hans Rubens which proved to be the winner. Vale deserved their win but Coburg should have caused an upset if they had continued as they did in the first 30 minutes.

Best players, Springvale: Pegolo, Beesley and Mur, until he was injured. Coburg: Bolton, Bobby Malcolm and Richmond.

Sandringham playing their best Soccer of the season held Brunswick to a 0-0 draw.

Del Mannering saved Sandy in the first 10 minutes as Brunswick forged into attack but from then on it was Sandy who held the upper hand.

Many chances were missed but the worst was when Bobby McLeish only had the Brunswick keeper to beat in the last minute and he shot wide.

Best players, Sandringham: Mannering, Gadesby and Thompson.

SECOND DIVISION

In the match of the day "Taffy's Team" Frankston, drew 1-1 with Ferntree Gully, in a hard fought game, at Frankston.

Frankston had most of the play and took an early lead when Stewart McLean beat two men, cut across field and passed for Michael Maile to score. This was Maile's first game for six weeks having been out through injury.

Morrison was carried off when he injured his leg in a sliding tackle and while he was off, Gully equalised.

With all the scoring finished, Frankston were forced onto the defensive in the second half and with Kurt Schroeder playing at full back in place of Morrison they held Gully at bay.

It was a tremendous struggle and Frankston's Martin Leenstra finished with a twisted ankle.

Best players, Frankston: Schroeder, Maile and McLean.

All goals came in the first half in the Altona v. Richmond game won by Altona 4-0. This now gives Altona a three-point lead at the top of the ladder.

Altona played their best game of the season and Steve Herman gave them the lead in the first ten minutes. Five minutes later Mario Greco scored with a penalty which gave Richmond's keeper no chance.

Steven Herman came again with the best goal of the match when he beat his man and shot home on the turn from 20 yards. One minute from half time, Bernard Flynn scored number four from close range.

Prahran came to life last Saturday with a good 4-1 win over University and maybe a revival is in the making!

There was no scoring in the first half but soon after Uni took the lead and it looked like the same old story but not this time.

Steve Crossley equalised with a 25-yard drive then Steve Friund, an ex-Melbourne player, but Prahran ahead with the aid of a great through ball form Geoff Sant.

University gave away a penalty when Angus Drennan handled and Steve Friund scored from the spot. Jacky Gow who missed a sitter earlier made amends when he scored Prahran's fourth.

THIRD DIVISION

Chelsea scored a goal in each half to defeat Croydon 2-0 at Chelsea. Croydon had Jimmy Logan well marked after he scored a hat-trick against them earlier in the season but they never looked like scoring themselves.

Derek McMinn was taken off early with a recurrance of his leg injury and replaced by Williamson. Barry Walker put Chelsea on the map with a headed goal after Trevor Owens had punched out a corner.

In the second term George Williamson backheeled for Walker to score his and the sides' second goal.

Best players, Chelsea: B. Harris, G. Williamson and B. Walker. Croydon: T. Owen, D. Rudge and L. Kinwell.

The reserve game ended in a narrow win to Chelsea 4-3. It was a seesaw battle in which Chelsea got the winner in the last two minutes. Scorers were Warbey, Dillworth and Kinwell for Croydon and for Chelsea Culliton, Hollis and H. Chalkaitis 2.

South Yarra who are having their best season for years beat Flinders Naval Depot 2-0.

De Marchi got the first with a beauty into the corner and Murray scored the second with a scrambled goal.

Best players, South Yarra: Goldie, Burton, Stark and De Marchi.

FOURTH DIVISION

Deer Park gave Clayton a surprise in defeating them 4-3. They went to a two-goal lead before Pikington reduced arrears before half time.

Then Deer Park made it 3-1 but Tyler from a free kick and Wood brought Clayton level.

The young Deer Park side got the winner with only two minutes to go, when a long harmless clearance bounced over keeper Watson's head and into the net.

METRO MURMURS

- A State League and a Metro club have shown an interest in Dandenong centre half Phil Bence.
- Case between Dandenong and former coach Bert Geraerts has been settled out of court.
- Eddie Bressan is the new Triestina coach.
- Altona are going on an end of season trip to Sydney for four days.
- Ringwood City like Triestina and St. Albans applied to play their games on a Sunday, but permission was refused. The matter was referred by the Board of Management to the Metropolitan Management Committee.
- Triestina play their home game against Springvale this Saturday at Selwyn Park and they're also paying rent on the Fitzroy Cricket Ground.
- St. Albans signed Louie Dennis from junior club Sokil. Louie is a goalkeeper with a lot of promise and what do you know, he cost $100.
- Saints also did a swap with Green Gully in giving them Klein and Briestwaiser and gaining Alistair McLeod.
- There are now 310 junior teams in the St. Albans area.
- **Please ring those reports through on SUNDAY MORNING BETWEEN 10 a.m. and 12.00 noon on 546-3068.**

METRO SELECTIONS

1st Division: Sunshine City v. Dandenong (draw), Ringwood City, Box Hill, Triestina, Sandringham, St. Albans.

2nd Division: University, Green Gully, Frankston, Ferntree Gully, Bayswater, Altona.

3rd Division: Waverley, Keilor City, Princes Park, Heidelberg, St. Kilda, Essendon.

4th Division: Yallourn (bye), Clayton, Deer Park, Monash, East Melbourne v. North Carlton (draw), Newport.

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DIVISION ONE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Ringwood City Wilhelmina	15	11	1	3	50	14	23
St. Albans	15	11	1	3	22	15	23
Elwood Austria	15	9	3	3	28	16	21
Maribyrnong Triestina	15	8	4	3	33	17	20
Springvale	15	8	3	4	29	24	19
Sunshine City	15	7	1	7	23	20	15
Brunswick Athena	15	6	3	6	26	31	15
Box Hill	15	4	4	7	16	26	12
Moreland Thistle	15	4	2	9	20	28	10
Dandenong City	15	4	2	9	18	37	10
Sandringham	15	2	3	10	8	23	7
Coburg United	15	2	1	12	15	37	5

DIVISION TWO

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Altona	15	9	5	1	35	14	23
Ferntree Gully	15	8	4	3	35	18	20
Ringwood United	15	8	4	3	35	18	20
Brighton	15	9	2	4	26	19	20
Frankston	15	6	8	1	26	21	20
Albion Rovers	15	8	2	5	25	19	18
Richmond	15	6	3	6	33	41	15
Green Gully Ajax	15	4	2	9	21	23	10
Park Rangers	15	3	3	9	24	36	9
University of Melbourne	15	3	3	9	17	28	9
Bayswater	15	4	1	10	19	36	9
Prahran	15	3	1	11	16	39	7

DIVISION THREE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Chelsea	15	11	4	—	42	13	26
Keilor City	15	12	1	2	58	20	25
Waverley	15	11	2	2	55	20	24
Princes Park Hercules	15	11	1	3	46	18	23
Heidelberg	15	8	2	5	22	25	18
Essendon	15	6	2	7	30	23	14
South Yarra	15	5	2	8	30	38	12
St. Kilda	15	4	3	8	24	35	11
Glenroy United	15	5	—	10	24	35	10
Croydon	15	4	—	11	24	36	8
Moorabbin	15	2	1	12	16	63	5
Flinders Naval Depot	15	2	—	13	19	64	4

DIVISION FOUR

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Yallourn	15	13	2	—	98	11	28
E. Melb. Helvetic	15	12	2	1	76	14	28
N. Carlton Olympic	15	10	4	1	58	18	24
Monash	15	11	1	3	36	21	23
Mooroolbark	15	6	5	4	37	44	17
Newport	15	7	1	7	44	38	15
Clayton	15	6	3	6	25	27	15
Deer Park ICI	15	5	1	9	22	44	11
Doncaster Rovers	15	4	1	10	34	63	9
Mornington	15	4	1	10	18	40	9
Rosebud	15	1	—	14	7	99	2
Lilydale	15	—	—	—	—	—	—

Frank Micic (J.U.S.T.) beats Frigenovic (Croatia) to the ball last week-end.

DIVISION ONE RESERVES

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Ringwood City Wilhelmina	14	12	2	—	66	16	26
Sunshine City	15	11	2	2	40	21	24
Dandenong City	15	9	2	4	45	25	20
Elwood Austria	14	8	2	4	53	28	18
Box Hill	15	8	1	6	34	27	17
Springvale	15	7	1	7	35	29	15
Coburg United	15	5	3	7	36	50	13
Sandringham	15	5	1	9	27	40	11
Maribyrnong Triestina	14	4	3	7	21	35	11
Moreland Thistle	15	4	2	9	26	44	10
St. Albans	14	3	—	11	22	41	6
Brunswick Athena	15	2	1	12	21	70	5

DIVISION TWO RESERVES

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Ferntree Gully	15	13	2	—	52	14	26
Green Gully Ajax	15	9	1	5	45	31	19
Brighton	15	8	3	4	30	29	19
Altona	15	6	6	3	24	19	18
Ringwood United	14	6	4	5	39	35	16
Bayswater	15	7	2	6	36	37	16
Park Rangers	15	6	3	6	27	26	15
Prahran	15	5	3	7	35	40	13
Albion Rovers	15	2	6	7	29	36	10
University of Melb.	15	2	6	7	22	37	10
Frankston	15	4	1	10	28	37	9
Richmond	15	3	1	11	27	53	7

DIVISION THREE RESERVES

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Waverley	15	11	3	1	40	18	25
Glenroy United	15	10	1	4	46	34	21
Croydon	15	7	4	4	35	27	18
Heidelberg	15	7	3	5	33	27	17
Keilor City	15	7	3	5	26	25	17
Chelsea	15	5	5	5	25	27	15
South Yarra	15	5	3	7	42	41	13
Princes Park Hercules	15	6	1	8	36	49	17
Essendon	15	4	1	10	20	47	9
St. Kilda	15	1	2	12	14	51	4
Moorabbin	15	1	—	14	10	39	2
Flinders Naval Depot	15	—	—	15	—	—	—

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Clayton	15	7	5	3	53	40	19
Deer Park ICI	15	8	1	6	43	28	17
Mooroobark	15	6	1	8	30	52	13
North Carlton Olympic	15	5	2	8	36	38	12
Doncaster Rovers	15	6	—	9	19	51	12
Rosebud	15	3	4	8	25	49	10
Mornington	15	2	1	12	14	64	5
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MARTIN ASTON looks back on the Manchester United tour . . .

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"You try to destroy him mentally."

There can be no doubting that Manchester United is so far ahead of any other touring team which has ever come here that it does not matter.

Another big thrill from the tour has been the star quality of Bobby Charlton.

I was surprised to find him so shy and reserved off the field that at first he appeared to be downright unfriendly.

Charlton, who has more caps to his credit, if fewer hairs on his head, than any other current England player, can do anything with a Soccer ball.

He has a lightning ability to bring a ball under control and swerve quickly beyond tackling distance as he acts as a mid-field schemer.

And Charlton's shooting power with either foot is something which has to be seen to be believed.

It was unfortunate that Sydney's main memory of Denis Law should be a spiteful exhibition of temper which led to Ron Giles suffering a fractured cheekbone. A pity too that he marred the tour with his behaviour in Perth.

But there was a split second which showed why the Scot is regarded as Britain's most dangerous goal poacher.

His blond head struck like a cobra's to score Manchester United's opening goal in the game against a Sydney XI.

SURPRISE

The real surprise of the tour was provided by Brian Kidd, who has only just celebrated his 18th birthday after winning England youth honours against Russia.

He has everything which is required to become one of Europe's most sought after young players.

Kidd's development on the tour has been so remarkable that it caused Matt Busby to have a change of heart about buying Scotland's current centre forward John McCalliog to further boost Manchester United's attack.

He is a master of the declining art of beating an opponent with a body swerve as well as being able to shoot and take advantage of an open space.

Kidd is almost a carbon copy, even down to the same rangy physique, of Peter Osgood, on Chelsea's tour of 1965.

John Aston was essentially what might be described as a functional winger.

He can accelerate remarkably quickly and likes to take on the opposing full-back in a sprint for the ball, but he suffers badly in comparison with the other members of Manchester United's costly forward line.

Which is hardly surprising.

Nobby Stiles enjoyed what was little more than a purposeful stroll in most of the matches although he did put a considerable amount of bite into his tackling in the game against N.S.W.

It's a pity that Pat Crerand's knee injury early in the tour prevented us from seeing more of this talented wing half.

He had a very dry sense of humour although he could become quite cranky if something went wrong.

George Best was discussing his fan club of 5,000 members when Crerand butted in to say: "I've got a fan club too . . . a wife and two kids".

Tony Dunne was much more impressive than Manchester United's other full-back Shay Brennan in the two Sydney games, while Bill Foulkes was utterly dependable in his role as the "stopper".

Manchester United is truly one of the world's top club teams, and must be given a second to none chance of taking out next season's European Cup.

George Best gave a typical reply when I asked him whether he thought United could capture the big silver trophy:

"Yeah, I think we must do", he said.

"We could have won it last year with a bit of luck.

"We won't fail this time because we now have the experience and will not make the same mistakes again.'

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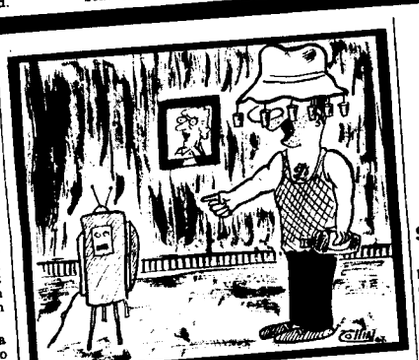

stuff in between each kick.

Our game is 'third rate'

We've often asked where the British migrant goes on Saturday afternoon.

Few go to Soccer, we know, but some go to the other game, some to the races and other just prefer to sit at home.

Today, we'd like to introduce Mr. P. Foster, of Preston, Victoria, a British migrant who is a Rules

Here's his comment:—

In the few issues of Soccer News that I have seen the theme of "Where is the British Migrant?" is constantly echoed. As one of the migrants not supporting Soccer, but the other game, I would like to tell you why.

Before migrating here I supported Manchester United for 12 years and in that time I saw most of the top European sides through the European Cup competition, plus two finals, at Glasgow and Wembley. This background of Soccer gives me the knowledge to make the following comments.

(1). The standard of Soccer is third-rate, which does not encourage me to watch. The statement by Tom Forde that Australia could win the World Cup is just so much rubbish; the players imported from Scotland and England in particular, are no class at all, and, therefore, no basis for such optimism.

(2). The lack of discipline in the administration does nothing to promote the game. I quote as the outstanding example the Hellas incident. They were fined quite heavily, one player suspended, but who apparently disregarded the inconvenience, and the subsequent reduction in penalty against the club. This shows great weakness, and the Hellas club's threat to boycott certain games was poor.

(3). The misbehavior of spectators does nothing to [illegible] is to be expected, and the result is bigger than the game. Even the Rules spectators do not attack their officials, however much they malign them.

(4). Football itself does not attract the average sport watcher. Over the last few years it has become defensive and in consequence slow. It lacks the fire and dash to make it a spectacle, and therefore the ability to draw more supporters.

(5). And, following on from No. 4, Australian Rules as a spectacle and a game of honest endeavor is so far in front that anybody who loves to be entertained and is exposed to both codes could not in [illegible] that Soccer

To sum up, until Soccer is upgraded standard-wise and a new attitude to the playing of the game, that is, more attack and less defence, is employed, the British migrant will not watch third-rate Soccer. After all, his home competition is the greatest in standard in the world.

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GEORGE CROSS FAN IN INDIA

One can only assume that somewhere in India there's a dedicated George Cross fan. This conclusion was reached when a recent shipment of Indian merchandise contained a large number of red and white cotton picnic rugs. The rugs were among a variety of items for sale at the Handicrafts of Asia boutique, 132 Toorak Rd., South Yarra.

LOU RESIGNS

Lou Schembri, a vice-president of George Cross for many years and who was acting president during Lou De Bono's illness last season, has resigned as a Trustee of the club and is now a paid-up member. Schembri is standing shortly for one of the wards of Sunshine Council as an A.L.P. candidate. No reason is given for his resignation.

SOCIAL NOTES

Triestina are having a barbecue this Sunday night at the Fitzroy Ground which will follow a game between Triestina old boys and Juventus old boys, at 3.0 p.m.

Croydon hold a dance this Saturday night at Kilsyth Hall, Kilsyth. Tickets are $1.00 and can be obtained by ringing 723-0210.

At the St. Albans Public Hall this Saturday the local Soccer club are holding a "Surprise Dance". Tickets are $1.00. B.Y.O.

DEZSOFI OFF TO AMERICA

Bella Dezsofi, the Hungarian centre forward who joined Melbourne last season and was regarded as their best acquisition since Scott was signed by the club, is joining the professional Soccer league in the United States.

Dezsofi signed a contract with the New York Hungarian Club and applied for a clearance last week. He will leave Melbourne for USA on August 25 (S. Kalus).

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ALEXANDER v. JUVENTUS (Olympic Park).
PT. MELB. SLAVIA v. LIONS (Murphy Res., Pt. Melb.).
FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T. v. POLONIA (Schintler Res., Footscray).

Sunday, July 16

HAKOAH v. STH. MELB. HELLAS (Middle Park).
MELBOURNE v. CROATIA (St. Kilda C.G.).
GEORGE CROSS v. PRESTON MAKEDONIA (Olympic Park).
Reserves kick-off 1.15 p.m. League 2.45.